SATURDAY, OCTOBER 9, 1909. Fair to-day and to-morrow; not much change in temperature; light variable winds.

TAMMANY USES STOLEN GOODS

FILES NOMINATIONS UNDER THE HEARST LEAGUE.

Holds a Convention. Apparently Without Any Credentials, and Nominates Gayner, Moore and Galvin as the Independence League Candidates.

In spite of the fact that Charles H. Gehring, chairman of the Independence League executive committee, asserted yesterday that he had all the credentials of the league in his possession and locked up and that no convention could be called legally without his assent as chairman of the league, Tammany Hall last night at 11:32 o'clock filed with the Board of Elections the nominations of the independence League, made at a convention held at 158 Third avenue.

The Tammany candidates, Justice Gaynor, Robert R. Moore and John F. Galvin, were indorsed. The chairman of the convention was given as Thomas J. Regan and the secretary as Francis Dolan. Nominations had to be filed before mid night.

Election Commissioner John T. Dooling who received the nominations handed in by the Tammany men for the Independence League, said last night that according to section 63 of the election law whenever any individual or political committee calls for a certified copy of the delegates to a convention it must be given him or the committee on the payment of a certain fee.

In this way, he said, the men who had to do with the filing of the indorsements last night had secured a certified copy of the delegates to the Independence League conventions.

Mr. Dooling said he also understood that the delegates chosen at the primaries do not have to wait for the presi dent of the committee to call the convention, but can do it themselves

It was asserted yesterday by Mr. Gehring that had conventions been called the delegates to them, elected at the prima ries, would be without credentials. The old Independence League officers had hold of these and when a demand was made for some of them yesterday afternoon Mr. Gehring, chairman of the old county and city committee, who under the law holds over until January 1, refused to give them up.

Mr. Gehring had received the certificates in the regular course of procedure followed by the Board of Elections. The certificates of all those elected at a party primary are delivered to an officer of the central committee of the organization for distribution among the del In this case it turns out the certificates a few days after the primary election were delivered to J. Irving Hanshe, sergeant at arms of the county com-mittee of the Independence League, not-withstanding the fact that Tammany had stolen the league and had its own men elected as league delegates.

Mr. Hanshe wasn't saying where the certificates of election were yesterday. in fact he was quite mysterious when Mr. Gehring was quite frank, however, in saying that he had them and that he proposed to hang onto them. Mr. Gehring said that emissaries of Percy Nagle had called for the certificates of the dele gates elected in the districts represented by those leaders.

"I told them," said Mr. Gehring, "that the certificates were in caskets and were to go back to Tammany Hall, where they belonged. Without credentials these delegates cannot hold conventions that would he legal, and anyway the conventions could not be legal unless called by the regular officers. The rules of the organ-ization require that such conventions shall be called by me. James Kerrigan who belongs in Murphy's district and is a nephew of J. J. Pigot, has been named to succeed me as chairman, but he cannot take office until January 1 under the law. The old organization holds over until then, and there is no way they can hold a legal convention."

Just why no attempt was made before vesterday to demand the certificates for delegates could not be learned. It was suggested, however, that up until a day or two ago, or until the mass meeting nominated Mr. Hearst, there did not appear to be any reason for Tammany to go ahead and follow its plan for capturing the Hearst conventions and getting the dence League column on the ballot. Henc the delay in seeing that the delegates we equipped with credentials.
Yesterday afternoon men from several

of the Tammany district organizations. among them Nagle's, appeared at the Board of Elections and started in a great hurry to copy a roster of the delegates from their districts chosen at the Independence League primaries. It was said that this was to try to hold Independence League Assembly and Aldermanic conventions in these districts to indorse the Tammany nominees and get their names in the old Independence League column on

No attempt was made to copy the whole list of delegates to the city, county or borough conventions of the league. That would have been hardly possible at that

late hour.
It was said that Mr. Hearst had been watching the situation respecting these conventions very closely and that was one of the reasons why he had waited before announcing his decision until it was too late for Tammany to attempt to call a city convention of his old organi-

The other Tammany men indorsed in the nominations filed last night in the name of the Inde pendence League were John J. Dwyer, for Municipal Court Justice in the Eighth district; William C. Towne for Alderman in the Aldermanic district, Wendell, Jr., in the Eleventh district. William J. Kenneally in the Twelfth district. Charles Delaney in the Twentyfifth, James Conry in the Twenty-sixth venth, Joseph D. Cavanagh in the firtieth, James Owens in the Thirty-st and James H. Keogh in the Thirty-

second Aldermanic district; and for Assembly, John J. Boylan in the Eleventh. lames A. Foley in the Twelfth, Thomas A. Brennan in the Twenty-fourth, James L. Kohler in the Twenty-fifth, Irving J Joseph in the Twenty-sixth, Milton J. Bach in the Twenty-ninth, and James H Keogh in the Thirty-second Assembly

AURORA AND THE CABLES.

Borealfs Puts Out North Atlantic Wires Again Vesterday.

playful aurora borealis, which raised hob with the cables and the land telegraph wires on September 25 all the way across the continent and from St. John's, Newfoundland, to Cheltenham Md., toyed with the cable ropes beneath the Atlantic for an hour yesterday after noon just to show that it was still the prankful mystery and off the reservation At 2:49 o'clock the Commercial Cable Company sent out the following wire from its cable stations on the Atlantic

"Aurora taken charge of cables. Magnetic storm interfering with transmis-

Following the receipt of this intelligence the cable company received all cables subject to delay, anticipating a repetition of the didoes that the aurora cut up two weeks ago. But at 3:33 the cable stations reported that the play of wicked magnetic currents was letting up and at 3:42 business under the Atlantic was resumed

They said at the main office of the Com mercial Cable Company later that their operators had not tried to determine just where along the cable lines the aurora had roosted. They only knew that it somewhere in the north Atlantic. The land wires did not come under the influence of the baleful currents which faunt themselves as banners of fire in the

This had been the longest siege with the telegraph nuisance that the companies had suffered in the last ten years, said the cable manager in the Commercial company's Broad street office. Since that big blowout of September 25 the cables had been feeling the influence of the aurora intermittently almost every There was nothing to do when the fuss happened except to throw up work and wait for things to straighten out.

"I wish they'd settle this Cook-Peary ontroversy," the manager complained "I think that has something to do with it."

NOTORIOUS COUNTESS KILLED. Young Man Murders Mme. Von Strachwitz, Who Bought Her Title Cheap.

Special Cable Despatch to THE SUN. BERLIN. Oct. 8 .- Countess von Strachwitz, who, it is stated, induced an impecunious count to give her his name in return for \$30 and a suit of clothes, has een murdered in her flat on Friedrichstrasse by a young admirer of the name of Friedlander, who afterward

The counters was demi-mondaine. She had been in public view in connection with a police raid on her massage estabishment and in other ways, thus obtain

ing widespread notoriety.

It is said that jewels and documents were found in her flat representing a large fortune.

MIDSHIPMAN DISMISSED.

Made False Statements to Get Leave to

ANNAPOLIS. Oct. 8 .- The official state-R. G. Stern of Philadelphia, a member the fourth class, had been dismissed for making false statements.

The unofficial explanation is that Midhipman Stern was detected in causing fake telegrams to be sent him in order that he might visit a sweetheart in Atlantic City. The offence was committed last August, and after a thorough investigation the dismissal was recommended by Supt. Bowyer, and the recommendation was confirmed by the Navy Department.

Stern got some one to send him a telegram that an uncle was dying and upon this he got a leave. At the end of the leave a telegram was sent that the unois had passed away. Shortly afterward another extension was asked, the reason eing that Stern himself was ill.

The authorities became suspicious and the whole matter was investigated and it was found that the illness of the uncle was a pure invention.

Moreover, it turned out that Stern' iliness was real, at least he actually under went ap operation for appendicitis.

BULLDOG STARTED AUTO And Threatened to Devour the Man Who Finally Prevented a Runaway.

MONTCLAIR, N. J., Oct. 8 .- Two women in an automobile drove up to the pos office shortly before noon to-day and went within, leaving a bulldog in charge of the machine. The motor was left running. The dog became restless and jumping about landed heavily on the

starting tread and the auto started off. James H. Legg, an electrician, dashed out from his place of business to stop the runaway machine. When he reached forward to seize a lever the buildog snapped at him. The automobile was gaining headway down the hill and Legg pade another attempt to stop it. dog came at him more savage than before but the man managed to shut off the cur-

rent and the motor stopped. The women, who had hurried out of the post office when they saw their car going were profuse in their thanks to Legg. The dog looked sheepish.

SNOW AND RAIN IN TEXAS. Year's Drought Broken-Four Inches of

the Beautiful. Dallas, Tex., Oct. 8.-Heavy general rains fell to-day all over north Texas, breaking a dro at that has lasted practically a year, there having been only two good shower days in that time. Winter crops and cattle ranges will be largely benefited. The water famine at Dallas has been much relieved. The rain con-

tinues falling to-night.

EL Paso, Tex., Oct. 8.—Snow is falling generally to-day in the Texas Panhandle, the earliest fall in the history of that section. Four inches is reported from

B. R. T.'s \$5,000 Gift for Faithful Work. President E. W. Winter of the Brooklyn Rapid Transit Company has sent a check for \$5,000 to the Employees Benefit Asso-ciation in appreciation of the good service done by the men during the Hudson-Fulton celebration.

WAR ON THE HOUSE OF LORDS? ABDUL HAMID BREAKS JAIL. RETURNED TO HIS FIRST WIFE GAVE EARTHQUAKE WARNING. HEARST TO RUN

Clothes but Is Recaptured. NO CONCESSION ON THE BUDGET. Special Cable Despatch to THE SUN. SAYS WINSTON CHURCHILL.

frish Land Bill Just as Important, Says Birrell, Backing Up Redmond's Attack-King, in a New Role as Adviser

to His Advisers, Urges Compromise. Special Cable Despatch to THE SUN.

LONDON, Oct. 8. - In a speech in London the Board of Trade, very emphatically he did the work. asserted that the Government would refuse to make any sort of compromise the budget.

"When the bill leaves the House Commons," he said, "it will leave in its guards and taken back. final form, and no amendment by the House of Lords will be entertained. We shall make no overtures to the House of Lords and shall accept no compromise."

true, as some of the Government's opponents said, that the Government wanted to see the budget rejected, but it did not fear a conflict. If the bill were rejected such a rejection would be a believe the House of Lords would commit.

Mr. Chuschill in the course of his speech also referred to Ireland, with which country, he declared, the Government would make a national settlement such as had been made in South Africa.

Besides this the assurance of John Redmond, leader of the Irish party in the House of Commons, to the United Irish League that the destruction of the House of Lords would remove the last the launches were waiting. obstacle to home rule, has been followed by another significant ministerial utterance. Mr. Birrell, Chief Secretary for Ireland, in a speech at Bristol dealing with the Irish land bill, which he said was undergoing vivisection in the House of Lords," said it was really as important as the budget.

He could not imagine, he added, method of conducting business so absurd, so idiotic, so productive of disorder and so provocative of crime as that now existing in regard to Irish affairs. The time must come and it could not be long delayed when common sense and business principles would relegate all such purely Irish affairs to Ireland, where alone they could be properly understood.

The idea that King Edward is taking hand in the controversy over the budget with a view to preventing a constitu tional crisis continues to be canvassed daily It has been chiefly put forward by the Radical press The Times has thundered against the "grave impropriety" of the suggestion and det as political hysteria.

Now, however, the Spectator gives the weight of its considerable authority to a statement representing that the King is advising his advisers. It recalls that formerly the sovereign had certain power of resistance to the advice of his Min but for a century past the advice has bee obligatory, and if persisted in has been

"But with this change has come anoth moments of crisis and difficulty and when it is very clear that his advice will be will appear on behalf of the Government. advice was given by the late Queen. She did this throughout the latter part of her reign, and the King has followed her Indian blood who are excluded by the example. Lord Salisbury stated this Dawes Indian Commission, the Secretary

Queen's death. they know that if they reject it they are who seek to have the allotments reopene

The advice the King is now giving is, according to the Spectator, a recommendation to try to arrange some sort of give and take in reference to the but he is inquiring whether or not it is possible for the chiefs on both sides to agree upon some sort of action which will avoid what, notwithstanding their brave words, both sides really desire to avoid-a bitter constitutional struggle.

SOLDIER SHOT FOR BURGLAR.

Householder Finds Him Intextested Dining Room at Night.

Boston, Oct. 8.-Private Michael J. Brogan of the Eighty-third Company, Coast Artillery Corps, located at Fort Revere, Hull, is lying in the post hospital with a serious wound in his body caused by a shot fired by Aaron Mendelsohn, whose summer home at Bayside he had

entered about 11 o'clock last night. The occupants of the cottage, Mr. and Mrs. Mendelsohn and a maid, had retired. About 11 o'clock the girl heard a crash in the lower part of the house, apparently from the kitchen. She aroused Mr Mendelsohn, who started to investigate lighted dining room Mr. Mendelsohn asked who was there, but got no reply. He repeated the question several times without getting a response, and then fired

without getting a response, and then fired one shot.

When the lights were turned on a soldier, who was later identified as Brogan, was found stretched upon the floor, bleeding from the wound caused by the shot, which had entered his back, passing straight through him. The man was conscious, but drunk.

Mr. Mendelsohn sent for the Hull police and Dr. William H. Sturgis. Dr. Sturgis, who arrived first, says Brogan was conscious but in a critical condition. He cannot understand, he says, why the soldier was not killed outright, as the course of the shot was directed through that part of the body where the heart is located.

ocated.

The men at Fort Revere speak very highly of Brogan and have no idea that he entered the house for any criminal pur-

Gets \$13,750 for a Leg. A jury before Supreme Court Justice

Goff awarded \$13,750 damages yesterday in a suit brought by Harold R. Schaffner, a fifteen-year-old boy, against the New York, New Haven and Hartford Railroad because he had a leg out off by a switch engine in the Harlem River yards two years ago while he was about to board another train.

LONDON. Oct. 9 .- The Beigrade cor espondent of the Telegraph says that Abdul Hamid, the deposed Sultan of Turkey, has attempted to escape from his villa prison at Salonica.

certain repairs. He professed to be annoyed at the man's dirty appearance to-day Winston Churchill, President of and ordered him to take a bath before While the man was bathing his clothes

He had a workman brought in to do

were taken to Abdul Hamid, who donned with the House of Lords in reference to them and passed from the garden into the street.

There he was recognized by one of his

The workman has been arrested as an accomplice of the ex-Sultan.

COACH REACHES NEW LONDON. Mr. Churchill added that it was not Vanderbilt Party Quartered on Ledyard Blair's Yacht for the Night.

New London, Oct. 8 .- At exactly 6:10 this evening, the time scheduled for the New York coach Pioneer to reach here, she swept down the Parade from Bank street and a dozen men aboard climbed constitutional outrage which he did not from their perches and were whisked out in launches to Vice-Commodore C. Ledyard Blair's yacht Diana, which came into port from Black Rock two hours in advance of the coaching party which will spend the night on board.

Alfred G. Vanderbilt's yacht Wincheste ollowed the Diana up the harbor and took up an anchorage a few feet north of the vice-commodore's vacht.

A large crowd of sightseers greeted the coaching party upon their arrival and followed them to the public landing, where As they left the central wharf a rollick

ing song was started by one of them, which was soon caught by all hands, and the chorus was sung with a will. P. C. Coe's quartet of horses which brought the coach from Lyme to Flanders, and also the horses bringing the vehicle

to this city are sheltered at a local stable this evening, and with the tallyho, also quartered there, are being viewed by cores of people. The coach will cross the Thames tomorrow morning in time to allow the party to start from Groton at 10:15 o'clock. Mr.

Coe's horses will continue to Mystic, even miles east and there be relieved by Alfred Vanderbilt's thoroughbreds. The yacht Diana is illuminated with red white and blue incandescents in honor of the occasion. The Diana will follow the coaching party to Newport to-morrow Three other men are expected to join the party to-morrow, one of them being Reginald Vanderbilt.

HALF OF OKLAHOMA INVOLVED.

buit for Participation in Distribution of Indian Lands and Money.

WASHINGTON, Oct. 8 .- Title to nearly half of the State of Oklahoma is involved in an equity suit which is to be argued in the Supreme Court of the United States next week. The title of the case is J. E. Fleming et al., appellants, versus Green McCurtin, Douglass H. Johnston, George Mansfield et al. The case comes to the Supreme Court on appeal from the United change of great importance," says the States Circuit Court for the Eastern dispaper. "The King, entirely free from trict of Oklahoma. The appellants will The Solicitor-General of the United State

It is an open secret that such making common cause with the appellees. The bill in equity is filed in behalf of 13,000 persons of Choctaw or Chickasaw Indian blood who are excluded by the fact very plainly in his speech on the of the Interior or the citizenship court from participating in the distribution of lands in Oklahoma and money belonging obliged to follow the King's advice, but to the common tribal funds. The persons rejecting advice that is certain to be and the trust readministered have for the most part only a trace of Indian blood in their veins, but they claim vested interests in the common fund of the nation through

descent. The bill makes sensational charge budget. He is of course not undertaking a against the administration of Indian task so dangerous or impossible as to affairs in Oklahoma. The prayer of the suggest the terms of an arrangement. ment and the citizenship court be reopened and that an opportunity be given the petitioners to establish their claims for allotment.

PRIEST STRANGELY BURNED. Candle Set Fire to Saturated Cloth Around His Neck and He May Die.

The Rev. Augustine M. Brady, chaplain of the Home for the Aged of the Little Sisters of the Poor, is in a critical condition in the Newark Private Hospital as a result of an accident which befell him at his home, 39 South North street, Newark, early last Friday.

Father Brady was troubled with a throat affection, and he had around his neck a handkerchief saturated with an alcoholic solution. He was going from one room to another with a lighted candle in his hand when the flame set fire to the handkerchief. The priest in his excitement tightened the knot instead of loosening it

PRESBYTERY IS UPHELD.

Referee Decides That It Had Power to Dissolve Congregation.

M. Linn Bruce, who was appointed referee to determine whether the Presby tery of New York is to have permission to intervene in the application by members of the Westminster Presbyterian Church for permission to sell the church property in West Twenty-third street and move uptown, filed his report yester-day in favor of the Presbytery. Mr. Bruce decided, however, that while

Mr. Bruce decided, however, that while the Presbytery had power to dissolve the Westminster congregation in March, 1908, following a division of the members and to install a new church there, known as the West Twenty-third Street Church it had no authority to dissolve the church corporation. Whether the rebellious members who want to sell the property are to succeed is in the hands of another referee, who has been awaiting Mr. Bruce's decision before proceeding with

British Fleet Is 68 Men Shy Officers of the Inflexible, the British warship still in port, have asked the police to look up sixty-eight enlisted men who are missing. Not all of the men belong to the Inflaxible, but as fast as the police round up the stragglers they will be sent on board.

MAN THREE TIMES MARRIED EAGER TO LOSE HIS THIRD.

So John Cotton Smith Won't Contest Her Suit for Separation-First Wife, Who Had Also Falled in Second Matrimonial Experiment, Takes Him Back.

A matrimonial tangle involving the three marriages of John Cotton Smith, a rubber salesman, who says that he is direct descendant of John Cotton, came before Supreme Court Justice Bischoff yesterday on the application of counsel for Elise F. Smith, the third wife, to have her action for a separation set down for trial next Wednesday.

It developed at the hearing that Smith is not opposing this action on the ground that the marriage was void in the first place, because the divorce he thought he got from his first wife is fraudulent. Smith is now living with this first wife, having obtained a valid divorce from wife No. 2 before he married the third. Of these three marriages only one child was born, a boy, 13 years old, the son of the second wife.

Smith was married to his first wife Lillian Brown of Kansas City, Kan., in 1888. They lived together for three years, but finally separated, and Mrs Smith went back home. Smith said in an affidavit that he met one John O. Roop in Philadelphia in 1892, who represented himself as a lawyer, and who said he could get a divorce for Smith whether he had any grounds or not. Smith says he consented, and that after about a year Roop came into his office and showed what he claimed was a decree of separation, which permitted Smith to marry again. Smith says he learned later that there was no such court or Judge as were named in the decree.

Believing that the decree was valid Smith married Annie Rowe in Brooklyn in 1894, but divorced her several year later. Then Smith married the woman who is now suing for separation. Smith did not question the validity of the Philadelphia decree until a year ago, when the present action was brought.

Smith's lawyer told him he was still the husband of Lillian Brown Smith, so he wrote out to Kansas to find out what had become of her. He learned that shortly after she had been told that Smith had divorced her she married Lieut Lorenzo Gordon Russell, U.S. A., who was stationed at a Kansas army post. marriage was unhappy, and when Lieut. Russell went to the Philippines shortly afterward his wife got a divorce. She was about to be married to a well to do real estate man there when she got the news that Smith's divorce from her was fraudulent. She wrote Smith this letter DEARIE: Jam so glad to hear from you Cotton, I still believe you love me. Do you? I hope so, for I confess my heart I am very sorry you had such an unforte nate experience in your matrimonial affaire Mine has been quite as bitter. I believ God meant us to meet again and take up

say, "live happily ever after." Smith says that he and his first wife are now living together at the St. Paul Hotel. In addition to his defence in the separation suit that he was never legal husband of the third wife he says she got him to marry her by cajolery and ot. 8.—The official state—
to-day that Midshipman responsibility for the Ministers' acts, be represented in the argument by John lies, and accuses her of improper relations of the Nautilus Yacht Club of Bath Beach

our lives where we left off and, as children

and others. The Court reserved decision on the

NO EULOGY AT HIS FUNERAL. Bishop Ludden Says His Coffin Shall Be

Black Box With No Gilded Nails. UTICA, Oct. 8.-The Right Rev. Patrick Ludden, Catholic Bishop of the dioces of Syracuse, is strongly opposed to osten tatious display at funerals and seldon permits priests in his diocese to deliver eulogies over the biers of departed parishioners. In keeping with his sentiment on this subject Bishop Ludden to-day while delivering brief remarks at the funeral of a relative in the village of Florence said that when he died there would be no eulogy pronounced at his

have already made provision." said, "that when I am laid away it shall be in a simple black box in which there shall be no gilded nails. Neither will there be any funeral sermon preached for in truth I would prefer the prayer o an old lady kneeling behind a church pillar to the finest eulogy that might be pronounced by some of my talented

AUTO RUNS AWAY BACKWARD Brakes Fall to Hold Machine When Engine Gives Out on Hill.

STAMFORD, Conn., Oct. 8.-The engine of the automobile of William O'Brien of this city gave out near the top of a long steep hill three miles south of Danbury vesterday and the car started to back down the hill.

The brakes did not work and the ca went on at increasing speed. Mr. O'Brief went on at increasing speed. Mr. O'Brien guided it safely around a sharp curve and past four other automobiles that were climbing the hill. Near the foot of the hill he turned the car into an embankment and his wife, who stood on the running board waiting an opportunity to jump, was jarred off.

The front wheels passed over her and her arm was broken. She was badly bruised and shaken up.

Dr. Dean Foster of Stamford happened along in his motor car and he made splints out of a pasteboard box and tore his overcoat into strips to bandage the

his overcoat into strips to bandage the arm. Mr. O'Brien's son James and Mr. and Mrs. William Stafford were the other occupants of the car. Stafford and the boy jumped and escaped injury. Mrs. Stafford and Mr. O'Brien remained in the ar and were not hurt.

McManus Estate Goes to Charity. The will of John McManus, who died at Saratoga on August 25 leaving an estate worth \$100,000, gives the bulk of the property to charitable institutions after property to charitable institutions after
the death of his wife. The residuary
legatees, who will divide the estate
equally, are the Sisters of St. Joseph, in
The Bronx the Little Sisters of the Poor,
the Society of St. Vincent de Paul and the
Sisters of Mercy. Eighty-first street and
Madison avenue.

A number of smaller direct bequests
are made to Roman Catholic clergymen
and charities.

Nine Hours Before the Shock. Special Cable Despatch to THE SUN.

FLORENCE, Oct. 8 .- The observatory here registered an earth shock at 11 o'clock this morning at a distance of 193 kilometers, or about 116 miles.

The quake was predicted at 2:25 this morning, when the observatory displayed warning signals consisting of white lights, meaning that an earthquake was expected.

PELLAGRA DISCOVERED HERE. Army Surgeons Say the Disease Is the Re

suit of Drinking Impure Water. WASHINGTON, Oct. 8 .- A few case of pellagra have recently been discovered New York, according to Capt. Joseph F. Siles. United States Army Surgeon who with Surgeon Henry J. Nichol has been conducting a series of experiments at the Illinois State General Hos-

pital for Insane in Peoria and elsewhere The experiments have convinced the army surgeons that the common origin of pellagra is not to be found in spoiled or fermented corn but in impure water. The patients afflicted with the disease had, it was found on investigation, first undergone an affliction of the in testinal tract resembling dysentery, the result of taking impure water.

OCTOBER STRAWBERRIES. Second Crop in South Jersey Is Fine and

Selling at 10 Cents a Quart. FRERHOLD, N. J., Oct. 8.-Balmy October weather has brought strawberry festivals into fashion again, and strawberry shortcakes are a common dessert among the folks who have gardens of their own, for the luscious fruit comm to June has made its second appearance here for this year.

Every strawberry bed for miles around has its crop, and the berries have reached the market in such numbers that they are selling at 10 cents a quart, with strong likelihood of getting down to 5 cents if the favorable weather continues. The berries on the J. A. Haskell farm

are larger than were those in June. Rice A. Brown is harvesting a gratifying crop of superior flavor. FRENCH SHIPS LEAVE SILENT.

and Fort Replies. The French warships Vérité, Justice and Liberté sailed vesterday afternoon for Toulon by way of the Azores, where they will touch for possible orders that may send them elsewhere than Toulon. Admiral le Pord doubts that they will receive any such orders. The Frenchmen did not salute going out and the harbor forts were This was prearranged, the French Admiral having expressed a desire to depart modestly, saluting merely by

dipping the flag. It was simply an in-formal leave taking. Several hours leve when the British cruisers Blake, base of Edinburgh and Argyll passed Governors Island they let their guns bark farewell, and Governors Island responded. The Inflexible, flagship of the British squadron, will not sail until this afternoon. She will make no effort, as reported, to create a new record

BEGGAR ONCE AN OPERA STAR. Magistrate Who Had Heard Hatch Sing

An old man was arrested last night n front of the Grand Central station for begging. He was arraigned at the night court before Magistrate House and gave his name as Alonzo Hatch, 63 years old,

living at 424 Third avenue. "You see me before you now in distress, your Honor," he said, "but it was was not so long ago that I was singing

"Are you that Alonzo Hatch?" asked the Magistrate, and on being assured that he was discharged the prisoner with a reprimand.

Magistrate House said that he remen bered Hatch well, that he was brought to this country as the protegé of Col. Mapleson of Covent Garden, and that several years ago he was well known as a singer. He sang in the Academy of Music and later with Hammerstein. Hatch told the Court that he had a wife and five children and that the whole family were now working in a vaudeville and moving picture show on Third avenue, and at that they were hardly able to keep

CUFFEN STILL IN THE WELL.

Diggers Are on a Level With Its Botton and Hope to Get the Body To-morrow. SATVILLE, L. f., Oct. 8. - The two men who are digging for the body of John Cuffen. who is buried at the bottom of a well

sixty-five feet down, got to the sixty-five foot level at 5 o'clock this afternoon. It was discovered to-day that when the young man went down into the well he tied a rope around his body and fastened it at the top of the well. A broken end of this rope was found to-day, showing that when the cavein of the well occurred

the weight of the dirt and timbers broke this rope. The diggers will not get the boy's body before Sunday. All hope of finding him alive has been given up, as it is now apparent that the entire mass of the cave-

POSES AS BOY FORTHREE YEARS. Girl Works in Livery Stable and Delivers

in fell upon him.

Ice, but Is Finally Detected. CLEVELAND, Oct. 8 .- After masquerading as a boy for three years, playing boys' games, working in a livery stable, driving grocer's team and-hustling heavy boxes and express packages "Harry Roberts" confessed to the police to being a girl, Lillian Hoffman, stepdaughter of Gott-

Three years ago the girl, then 17 tired of home, ran away and donned boy's clothes. Since then she has worked livery stable cleaning horses, toiled as a helper to a carpenter and delivered

ice.

A short time ago she was arrested while in the employ of D. Martin, a grocer. The charge was not serious, but led to an inquiry that disclosed her identity. After her confession her stepfather brought her clothes and she went home. She said she had always wanted to be a

FOR MAYOR

Accepts on Condition That the Fusion Nominees Are on His Ticket.

HE BARS BANNARD

Calls on His Followers to Make Sacrifice of Not Nominating From Their Own Ranks.

Hearst Says That if He Runs No Matter Who Wins, Gayner, Bannard or Him self, Tammany Will Be Deprived of the Control of the Board of Estimate. He Belleves-The Best Way to Accomplish This Is to Take the Pusion Nominees for the Rest of the Ticket -Gaynor's Letter of Acceptance Shows. He Says, That He Is Tied to Tammany,

William R. Hearst answering the ppeal made to him by the leaders of the old Independence League issued a statement last night in which he said that he would run on an independent ticket if he had behind him the candidates nominated by the fusionists.

Mr. Hearst said that he would not sup port Justice Gaynor and he added that ne could not accept Mr. Bannard, but he added that he would be glad to head a ticket which contained the names of the

British Cruisers Salute When They Go fusion nominees The effect of the attitude taken by Mr. Hearst is that he is making a three cornered issue between himself, Mr. Bannard

and Judge Gaynor. It was said last night at the headquarters of the Independence League, which has now been changed to the name of the Civic Alliance, that the conditions named by Mr Hearst would be agreed to and that he would be named for Mayor by petition by the new organization, and that the rest of the ticket would be made up of the names selected by the fusioning The statement issued last night by Mr

Hearst said: "MY FRIENDS: I have decided to ccede to your request and to enter this campaign against Tammany Hall upon

one condition. "That condition is that the opposition to Tammany Hall shall be unite!

and not divided. "If we were to place a straight ticke: have their ticket in the field and Tammeny Hall shall have its ticket in the field the the opposition to Tammany Hall would be divided and Tammany's disgraceful ticket might be fastened like a cancerous growth upon the body politic for another

four years. "I know that my personal chances of lection would be better on a straight independent ticket. But I am not considering merely my personal chances of election.

"What could I accomplish as Mayor. surrounded by a Tammany Hall administration and hampered in every move by Tammany Board of Estimate? What could any man accomplish under such conditions?

"I have been able as a private citizen to secure eighty cent gas for the people of this city and to obtain for the reasonable number of other benefits. I certainly would not desire to occupy the office of Mayor and to assume its ard duties except for the opportunities that would be afforded me in that powerful position to secure many more such substantial advantages for the citizens.

"I would not consent to be Mayor un-less I could carry with me from that office a record of achievement of which I would be proud and of which you would be proud. And I will not consent to run for Mayor except under conditions which will make that record of achieve possible.

"The fusion ticket lately nomina ehind Mr. Bannard and in oppos to Tammany Hall is composed of gentlemen who are at once honest independent and progressive. gentlemen have for the most part freely and fearlessly expressed their independent views and declared their progress sive opinions. I make exception of Mr. Bannard because he has to date expressed nothing and declared nothing, either from an unwillingness to talk or from inability to think. I cannot sup-port Mr. Bannard, but I can and will, whether I am a candidate or not, suppo the rest of the fusion ticket nomin

in opposition to Tammany Hall.

"When the Independence League committee withdrew from the fusion oor ence it declared that it still stood ready to support a frank and honest expression of progressive principles and candidates irrespective of party, who can be dep apon and who will be in a position to carry

out these principles." "This is youropportunity to substantiate

"Nominate me, if you desire, with the greater part of that fusion ticket behind e and I will run." "The candidates nominated on the fu

ticket are worthy of support. The ticket is already in the field. If we nominate another ticket both tickets may feated. If we nominate the sket Tammany will be defeated. And it nany is defeated the citizens win no matter whether Mr. Gaynor is elected